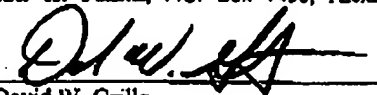


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Dear Sir:

The Examiner's amendments are not acceptable as they introduce various errors into the claims. Please amend the subject application as set forth hereinafter.